

2014-15 NCLB Consolidated Application

Contact: Diane Stuehmer (402-471-1740 or diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov)

The 2014-15 NCLB Consolidated Grant Application will tentatively be available in the GMS (Grants Management System) on Tuesday, September 30, 2014. Please check the portal web page (https://portal.education.ne.gov/site/DesktopDefault.aspx) for up-to-date information regarding this application.



October Special Education Snapshot - Due: October 15

Contact: Pam Kasl (402-471-4341 or pam.kasl@nebraska.gov)

Include only students with verified disabilities on an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) as of October 1, 2014 and any student who exited special education between July 1, 2014 and October 1, 2014. The value of Snapshot Date [Special Education Snapshot: Snapshot Date (35)] is to be "2014-10-01". The October Special Education Snapshot is accepted during the NSSRS Fall Collection and Fall Audit windows.

This will be the source for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Annual Child Count.



Sped IDEA Consolidated Application (GMS) - Open: October 1 - Due: December 15

Contact: Pete Biaggio (402-471-2471 or pete.biaggio@nebraska.gov)

The 2014-15 Sped IDEA Consolidated application is scheduled to open in the GMS Wednesday, October 1, with a due date of December 15 (11:59 p.m.). Check the NDE Portal for any updates.



IDEA Requests for Reimbursement – Due: October 15

Contact: Shane Rhian (402-471-4313 or shane.rhian@nebraska.gov)

Final Reimbursement Requests for the 2013-14 IDEA Federal funds must be submitted to NDE in GMS by October 15.



2013-2014 Special Education Final Financial Reports (paper submission)

Contact: Greg Prochazka (402-471-4314 or greg.prochazka@nebraska.gov)

The Special Education Final Financial Reports for 2013-2014 school year are due as follows:

<u>Birth to Age Five (BAF FFR) (NDE 06-025)</u> – Due on or before October 1, 2014 - copies of contracted services billings are NOT required. This form can be found on the NDE Portal under the Forms tab.

<u>Transportation (TRANS FFR) (NDE 06-016)</u> - Due on or before September 30, 2014. This form can be found on the NDE Portal under the Forms tab.



Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B MOE – Due: November 15

Contact: Pete Biaggio at (492-471-2471 or pete.biaggio@nebraska.gov)

The worksheet to establish IDEA Part B MOE eligibility is now open to school districts through the NDE Portal (under the Data Collections tab). Submissions are due by November 15. School district 2014-15 IDEA Consolidated Application approval is contingent upon establishing MOE eligibility.



Special Education Indicator Data - Due: October 1

Contact: Pam Kasl (402-471-4341 or pam.kasl@nebraska.gov)

The number of children transitioning from Part C Early Intervention, for whom parent refusal to provide consent caused delays in evaluation or initial services for Part B Early Childhood Special Education.

Data Submission:

- Data requested must be submitted through the NDE Portal, on the ILCD website.
- Select 'Data Entry' from the Monitoring Menu across the top of the page.
- On the yellow table, "Part B Indicator 12", select the reporting year "7/1/2013-6/30/2014".
- Enter the appropriate number on line D. Data for lines A-C are imported from NSSRS.



Distance Education Incentive Payments

Contact: Shane Rhian (402-471-4313 or shane.rhian@nebraska.gov)

Distance Education Incentive payments will be processed by the Department the week ending September 19 and should be received by school districts on or before Friday, September 26. Please contact Shane Rhian with any questions about your payment.



The following collections are currently open in the Consolidated Data Collection (CDC)

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

Please refer to the CDC Calendar which is located on the NSSRS Resources page at http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Resources.html#Instructions and also review the instructions available in each of the CDC collections for further details about each collection.

Assessed Valuation and Levies

Assessed valuation and levies. Distance between high school attendance centers. **Due Date 10/15/2014****Collection completed by Public**

For more information, contact Jen Utemark – jen.utemark@nebraska.gov (402) 471-3323

Elementary Site Allowance

Districts that are applying for the Elementary Site Allowance. This form to be completed by a school district with multiple elementary attendance sites. A qualifying elementary site shall be an elementary attendance site, in a district with multiple elementary attendance sites, which (a) does not have another elementary attendance site within 7 miles in the same school district, or (b) is the only public elementary attendance site located in an incorporated city or village. Due Date 10/15/2014

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Jen Utemark – jen.utemark@nebraska.gov (402) 471-3323

Non-Certificated Staff

Report of Non-Certificated Staff. Due Date 10/15/2014

Collection completed by Public, State Operated and ESU's

For more information, contact Pam Tagart - pam.tagart@nebraska.gov (402) 471-4735

Nonpublic Dropout Report

Collects Nonpublic dropout data. Due Date 10/15/2014

Collection completed by Nonpublic

For more information, contact Pam Tagart – pam.tagart@nebraska.gov (402) 471-4735

Nonpublic Membership Report

Collects membership data from Nonpublic Systems. Due Date 10/15/2014

Collection completed by Nonpublic

For more information, contact Jill Aurand – jill.aurand@nebraska.gov (402) 471-3321

PK-K Instructional Program Hours

Instructional program hours including kindergarten program type. **Due Date 10/15/2014****Collection completed by Public**

For more information, contact Tammi Hicken - tammi.hicken@nebraska.gov (402) 471-3184

School Age Final Financial Report (FFR)

School District's/ESU's claim reimbursement for SPED School age expenditures. **Due Date 10/31/2014**Collection completed by Public and ESU's

For more information, contact Lori Adams – lori.adams@nebraska.gov (402) 471-2637

Additional Special Education Final Financial information: http://www.education.ne.gov/FOS/SPED/

Student Growth Adjustment

Districts applying for the student growth adjustment. Districts must estimate their 2015/16 average daily membership and provide evidence supporting the estimate. Estimated student growth is the difference between the 2014/15 fall membership and 2015/16 estimated average daily membership. **Due Date** 10/15/2014

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Jen Utemark – jen.utemark@nebraska.gov (402) 471-3323

Substitute Teachers

Report all substitute teachers. Open all year - Due Date 6/16/2015

Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated, ESU and Interim

For more information, contact Kevin Peters - kevin.peters@nebraska.gov (402) 471-0739

Summer School Student Unit

Number of students by grade who attend summer school: 1) attending remedial Math or Reading, 2) students eligible for free lunch or free milk. **Due Date 10/15/2014**

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Jen Utemark – <u>jen.utemark@nebraska.gov</u> (402) 471-3323

Teacher and Principal Evaluation Survey

NDE Principal Performance Survey and NDE Teacher Performance Survey (State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Assurances). **Due Date 10/15/2014**

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Diane Stuehmer - diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov (402) 471-1740

Technology Plan (Nonpublic optional)

District Technology, Education, Assessment and Management Plan. Due Date 11/30/2014

Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated and ESU's

For more information, contact SuAnn Witt - suann.witt@nebraska.gov 402) 471-2085

Title I Annual Caseload Count of Children In Local Institutions For Neglected or Delinquent

The purpose of this annual caseload count is to provide the State Educational Agency with current information on the location and number of children living in institutions for neglected or delinquent children, or in local correctional institutions. The information collected will be used in the Title I formula for computing allocations for local educational agencies. Due Date 12/5/2014

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Pat Frost – pat.frost@nebraska.gov (402) 471-2478

Title III Professional Development

Districts or ESU consortia that receive funds under Title III Limited English Proficient grants should complete this information. It is designed to collect information on the types of professional development provided under Title III for the previous school year. Title III subgrantees only. Due Date 10/1/2014

Collection completed by Public and ESU's

For more information, contact Terri Schuster – terri.schuster@nebraska.gov (402) 471-4694

Two-Year New School Adjustment Application

Districts applying for a Two-Year New School Adjustment. School districts applying for the two-year new school adjustment will need to provide estimated additional student capacity and provide supporting evidence.

Due Date 10/15/2014

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Jen Utemark – jen.utemark@nebraska.gov (402) 471-3323



AYP District and School Level Verification

Contact: Diane Stuehmer (<u>diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov</u> or 402-471-1740) or Randy McIntyre (<u>randy.mcintyre@nebraska.gov</u> or 402-471-1749)

It is time to review AYP District and School level data. There are two ways to do this. The first is to do the following:

Log into the NDE Portal and select "Data Collections"

Select "State of the Schools Report Card-Preview Site 2013-2014

From the tabs across the top of the page, hover over "Preview Window," and select "Audit AYP Data".

Listed below are the steps for auditing/verifying data through the NSSRS Validation:

- 1. Log into the NDE Portal
- 2. Select "Students & Staff (NSSRS)"
- 3. Choose "NSSRS Validation"
- 4. Change the Year to 2014-06-30
- 5. Hover over "System Lookups" from the row of tabs on the top of the page
- 6. Select "Accountability Count Verification"
- 7. Choose the Subject from the drop-down box

- 8. Select "AYP Assessment Details" from the drop-down box
- 9. Click on the "Submit" button
- 10. From the drop-down box, select the school you want to view. Leave as "All" if you wish to review district level data for a grade span.
- 11. In the drop-down box, choose the grade
- 12. "Submit"
- 13. The AYP Groups are identified on this page. Select "Audit" at the end of the row for the AYP Group you want to verify. Repeat this step to audit the data for other groups of students.



McKinney-Vento Dispute Resolution Process

Contact: District's Title I consultant (402-471-2481) or

State Homeless Liaison Cathy Mohnike (402-471-1419 or cathy.mohnike@nebraska.gov)

This is a friendly reminder that due to the McKinney-Vento Act and NDE Rule 19 a District Dispute Resolution Process that follows prescribed guidelines and timelines must be in place. Check the District's Dispute Resolution Process to determine if it is in compliance by going to the NDE website, Homeless page and compare the District Dispute Resolution.



NeSA-RMSW 2014-2015 Key Dates

Contact: Valorie Foy (402-471-2495 or valorie.foy@nebraska.gov)

Key dates for NeSA-RMSW are presented in the following table.

Provide Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-W Field Test and NeSA-W Practice Test	October 15, 2014
Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-W Operational Test	December 1, 2014
Update Student Information in NSSRS for NeSA-RMS Operational Test	January 30, 2015

Additional information on NeSA testing is available at the Statewide Assessment Website: http://www.education.ne.gov/Assessment/Index.html



State of the Schools Report (SOSR) Calendar for 2014

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The following provides the dates when data and decisions will be available for review in the 2014 SOSR Preview prior to public release. Once the Report Card is released to the public, the data will not be changed so it is important for Districts to review their data. The 2014 SOSR Preview will be available through the NDE Portal.

Date	Activity	Public/District
Aug. 25, 2014	2013-2014 SOSR District Preview opens with the following data:	District only
	Data from End-of-Year NSSRS Reports	
	Preliminary AYP results for the 30 day review	
	NeSA Reading, Math and Science and	
	Grade 4 Writing results (disaggregated)	

	NePAS without graduation data or ranking	
Sept., 24, 2014	Last day AYP Appeals will be accepted	District Only
Oct. 8, 2014	PLAS review begins on 2013-2014 SOSR District Preview	District Only
Oct. 24, 2014	SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card released to the public	Public
Oct. 29, 2014	PLAS list added to the Public SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card	Public
Nov. 14, 2014	NePAS released with Graduation data and ranking, drop-out data	District Only
	added to the 2013-2014 SOSR District Preview	
Nov. 21, 2014	NePAS released with Graduation data and ranking, drop-out data	Public
	added to the Public SOSR 2013-2014 Report Card	

HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions.

All three ways get to the same place, so <u>please only use one of the following options</u>. If you send more than one request this may delay our response as we coordinate all requests.

1. Submit a "Helpdesk Request" from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.

OR

2. Email: nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov

OR

3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556

Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

ALSO: If you have contacted your area's NDE Trainer or Program Staff person, please do not also contact the Helpdesk. Multiple contacts will delay the response.

THANK YOU!

NDE Bulletin now available in RSS Feed

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

We have added an RSS feed that users can subscribe to. Don't forget that the current and past NDE Bulletins can always be found at http://www.education.ne.gov/ndebulletins/index.html. The RSS feature can be found at the above webpage in the upper right hand corner (orange icon). RSS feeds can be used with Outlook and a number of web-based feed readers. At this time we will also continue to send the bulletin out via e-mail.

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